

IPAS & PASRR MANUAL

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INTRODUCTION

1.1 PROGRAM BASIS

Indiana's PreAdmission Screening Program (IPAS) was created by Public Law 21, Acts of 1982. It was implemented statewide on April 30, 1983. Indiana Code (IC) 12-10-12 and 460 Indiana Administrative Code 460 (IAC) 1-1 codify the law and rules under which IPAS operates.

PAS is administered by the Bureau of Aging and In-Home Services (BAIHS) of the Division of Disability, Aging, and Rehabilitative Services (DDARS) of the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) through the 16 Area Agencies on Aging, designated as IPAS agencies.

NOTE: To avoid confusion with the preadmission screening (PAS) function of the "PASRR" program, Indiana's PreAdmission Screening program will be identified as "IPAS."

1.2 GOAL AND PURPOSE OF IPAS

The goal of IPAS is to prevent premature or unnecessary placement in a nursing facility (NF) of individuals whose long-term care needs do not require NF level of services or can be more appropriately met through in-home and community-based services. IPAS provides the opportunity for the provision of long-term care services in a location conducive to the physical and psychological well-being of an individual.

The objectives of IPAS are:

- to identify individuals who are "at-risk" of institutionalization and meet the state's criteria for NF placement;
- to provide a comprehensive assessment of an individual's needs;
- to ascertain whether alternative services are available in the community that would be more appropriate than care in a NF at not more than the cost of placement in a NF;
- to deny entrance to a NF when the criteria are not met, unless an individual is willing to forego eligibility for Medicaid reimbursement for NF per diem costs for a period of up to one year from the date of admission to a NF; and
- to meet the requirements of the PAS-portion of Indiana's PASRR program.

1.3 RELATIONSHIP OF IPAS TO PASRR

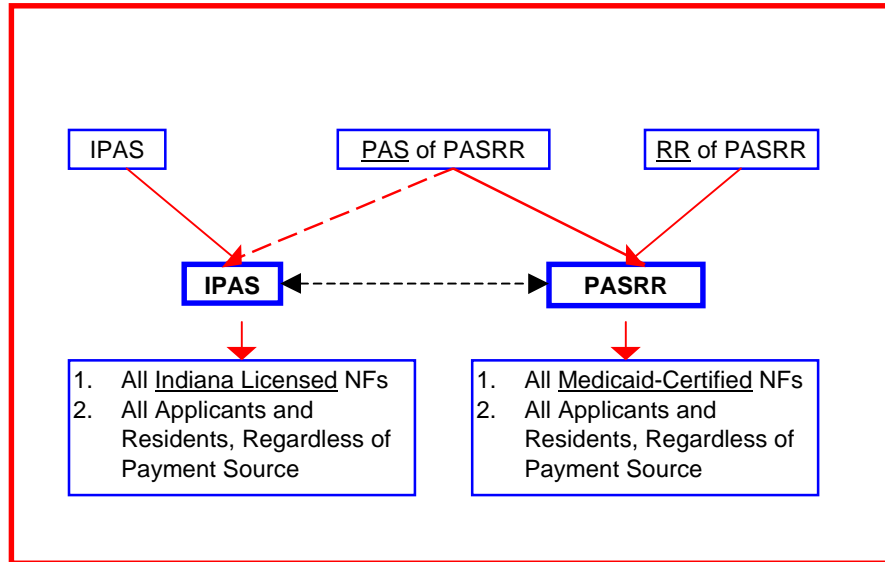
The federal PreAdmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) program is required to interface with existing or future nursing facility (NF) preadmission screening and resident assessment procedures to the greatest extent possible.

Through its Medicaid State Plan, Indiana incorporates and utilizes Indiana's IPAS program in the PASRR process. IPAS thus provides the following functions for the PAS portion of the PASRR program:

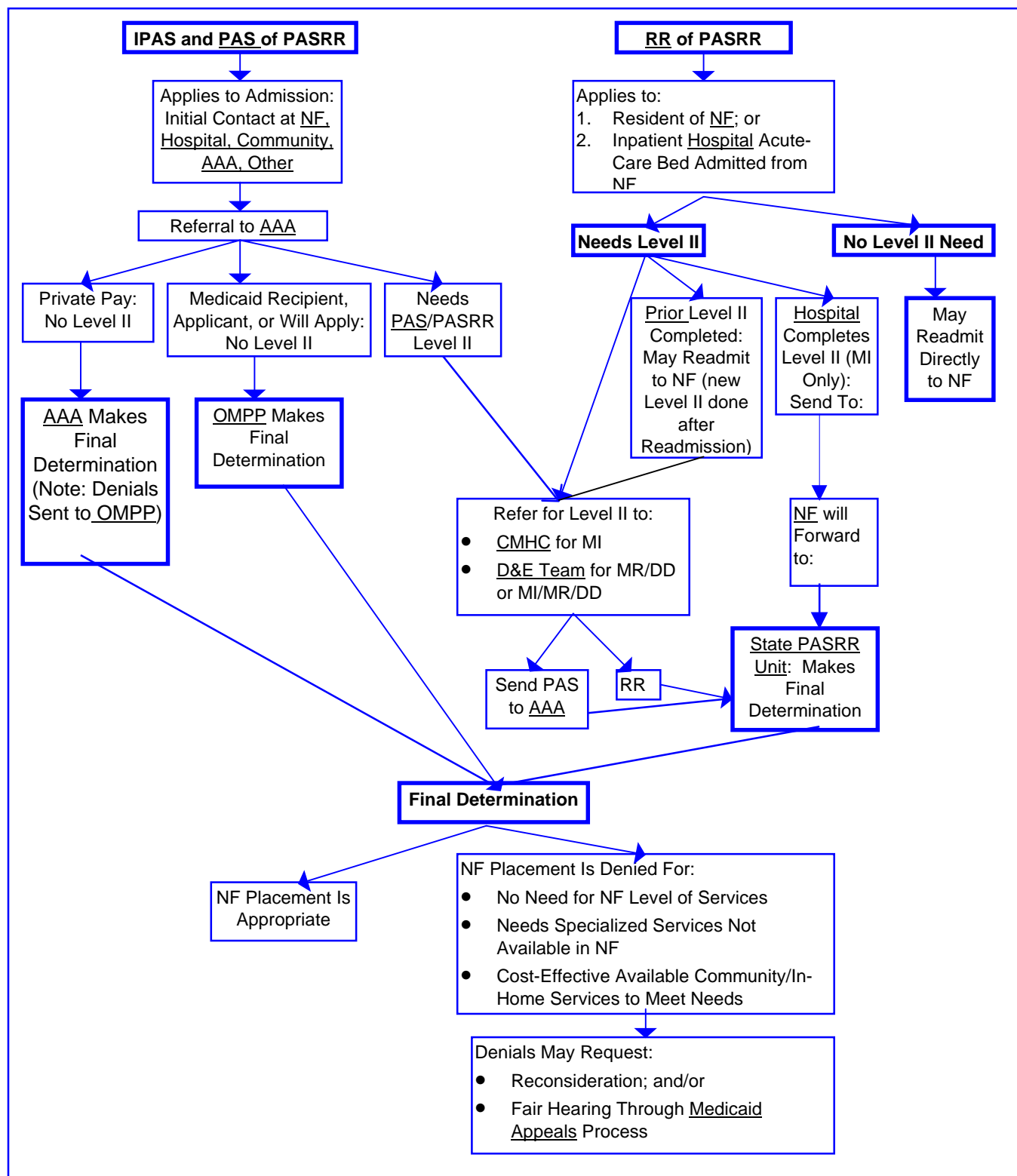
- identification of persons seeking admission to Medicaid certified NFs;
- review and certification of need for the Level II assessment on the Level I form;
- written notice to the individual of referral for Level II;
- activation mechanism to complete a Level II assessment to the CMHC or D&E Team;
- provision of necessary data to evaluate and determine need for NF level of care including physical status, functional assessment (activities of daily living), alternative services and/or placement;
- liaison between NF, family, physician, and other entities as necessary;
- review of documentation and recommendation for placement;
- coordinating entity to compile PAS case documents for submission to the State;
- entity to disseminate information and procedural directions including linkage with the State PASRR program; and
- distribution, retention, and preservation of case records.

For information and procedures for Indiana's PASRR program, see Chapters 10-16 of this Program Manual.

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